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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

*In the Claims:*

15. (Amended) The peptide ligand of claim 7, wherein said peptide ligand includes the amino acid sequence  $X_1X_2X_3X_4X_5X_6$  (SEQ ID NO:40), provided that

$X_1$  is L, W, or I;

$X_2$  is L, Q, or F;

$X_3$  is I, Y, V, F, or L;

$X_4$  is W or V;

$X_5$  is I; and

$X_6$  is P, A, F, or K.

*In the Specification:*

Insert the supplemental sequence listing pages 1-10 at the end of the specification.

## REMARKS

The specification has been amended in response to the September 28, 2001 Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures ("Notice"). Applicants submit herewith a computer readable form (CFR) copy of the "Sequence Listing," a paper copy of the "Sequence Listing," and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and include no new matter, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The specification has been amended to insert the sequence listing.